

COMING EVENTS

COMMISSIONER RICHARDS
Toronto—Sunday, Jan. 13 (Young People's Day).

Parliament St. (Toronto)—Friday, 18 (United Holiness Meeting).
Montreal—Sunday, 20 (Y. P. Day).
Hamilton—Sunday, 27 (Y. P. Day).
Peterboro—Sunday, Feb. 3 (Y. P. Day).

London—Sunday, 10 (Y. P. Day).

COLONEL McMILLAN
(Chief Secretary)

Newfoundland Tour
St. John's—Wed., Jan. 16 (Opening New Hall).

St. John's—Thursday, 17.

St. John's—Friday, 18 (United Holiness Meeting).

Saturday, 19 (United Soldiers' Meeting).

Sunday, 20.

Cartooners—Monday, 21.

Harbour Grace—Tuesday, 22.

Bay Roberts—Wednesday, 23.

Bonaville—Friday-Sunday, 25-27.

Catalina—Monday, 28.

MRS. COMM. RICHARDS

"House of Industry"—Tuesday, 8 (Christmas Demonstration by Wyehwood Band and Songsters).

(*Accompanied by Mrs. Colonel McMillan and Mrs. Major Moore.)

MRS. COLONEL McMILLAN

Toronto Hospital for Incurables (League of Mercy Christmas Demonstration)—Thursday, Jan. 10.

Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Chandler—Hespeler, Sat.-Sun., Jan. 5-6; Kitchener, Sat.-Sun., 12-13.

Brigadier Adby—Dovercourt, Sun., Jan. 6; Toronto (Young People's Day), Sun., 13.

Brigadier and Mrs. Bell—East Toronto, Sun., Jan. 6; Toronto (Young People's Day), Sun., 13.

Major and Mrs. McAmmond—Paris, Sun., Jan. 6.

Adjutant and Mrs. Kendall—Ingersoll, Sat., Dec. 29, to Mon., Jan. 14.

Adjutant Trickey—Colours, Wed., 9-Tues., 19.

PRISON APPOINTMENTS

Saturday, January 6th

Tho Mercer—Mrs. Major Moore and the League of Mercy.

Sunday, January 6th

Thornhill—Major and Mrs. Fraser, Minico—Adjutant and Mrs. Adams.

Song of Salvation

FULL SALVATION!

Tunes—Full Salvation, 170; Helmsley, 167.

Full Salvation! Full Salvation! Let the fountains, opened wide, Streams through every land and nation.

From the Saviour's wounded side, Full Salvation! Streams an endless, crimson tide!

Oh, the glorious revelation! See the cleansing current flow, Washing stains of condemnation Whiter than the driven snows!

Full Salvation! Oh, the rapturous bliss to know! Care and doubting, gloom and sorrow.

Fear and grief, are mine no more; Faith knows nought of dark tomorrow.

For my Saviour goes before! Full Salvation! Faith and love for evermore!

Relief Work at Halifax

Appreciation of The Army's Work by Chairman of Committee and Local Newspapers

WE continue to receive gratifying evidence that the work of The Army's Officers of Halifax and of those who rushed in from outside to assist meet the needs of the city when it was overtaken by the recent disaster, has been, and continues to be, of a most effective and useful character, and has won the grateful recognition of those in authority.

Mr. R. T. McIlreath (Chairman of the Relief Committee), in acknowledging the Commissioner's wire, telegraphed:—

"Please convey to Salvation Army our appreciation of their expressions of sympathy, advising them meantime that their Organization is doing magnificent work."

The Halifax "Chronicle" of Dec. 15th, in giving a summary of The Army's first work in connection with the disaster, contained the following:—

"As was to be expected, no sooner had the disaster overtaken the city when the Officers of The Salvation Army lined up for whatever service they could render. Finding Mrs. Dr. McIntosh with her hands more than

full at the City Hall, at her request they took over the investigation work and with an army of volunteer helpers they were soon scouring the city with a view to finding out the needs of the suffering ones. Every street affected was visited, and the different departments were thus brought in touch with the needs. This included food, clothing, shelter, medical aid, bedding, etc.

In addition to this at No. 1, Citadel Adjutant Hargrove and a band of workers have been supplying from meals and sleeping accommodation in the Dispensary rooms across from their Hall, and in various other ways they have filled in to the need of the hour.

"Amongst those who rushed to the city to be of any service within their power were Commissioner Richards, Colonel McMillan, Lieut.-Colonel Hargrove, Brigadier Miller, Brigadier Bettridge, all of Toronto; Major Barr of St. John, and a number of Officers from various outside places.

"Lieut.-Colonel Hargrove has been appointed to the oversight of investigation affairs."

Colonel, who is a member of the Investigation Department, and the Property Secretary. He has been attached to the Salvation Army by the War Office, and is now in the Shelter Department, Brigadier Bettridge and Major Barr assist in the Organization Department, and Ensign Ham (Monck) assists in the Coal Distribution work at the City Hall.

Major Crichton and Sub-Lieutenant Evers have things well in hand, and with the aid of Officers and men on their way to the city to assist in the work of finding out the needs of the people, and as far as possible seeing that relief goes to the right people.

Adjutant Hurd has also been appointed as a member of the Post Committee, and has taken an active part in connection with the Post Department at Alexander McKay School, assisted by Ensign Briggs (Campbell) and other volunteers.

The Salvation Army officers desire to let it be known they can in any way possible, and they can be relied upon to make whatever service the situation may demand of them."

The "Echo" of Dec. 15th said:—"The Salvation Army has once again risen to the occasion and is doing splendid work since the great disaster."

Meetings have now been restarted and things are beginning to take shape. The normal life of the city itself, said the Chief Secretary, is making a wonderful recovery, a very great difference being noted by him on this occasion compared with his previous visit.

PROPERTY SECRETARY

Tells of His Share in Relief Work at Halifax.

Brigadier Miller arrived at Headquarters from Halifax on the day before Christmas, and to a "War Cry" interviewer gave the following details as to his part in the Relief Work.

"I was on the Emergency Shelter Committee," he said. "The main idea of our special department work was to get the people comfortably housed for the time being. They were sleeping in box cars, stores, theatres, any old place where they could secure some sort of shelter. Many, however, were taken by kind-hearted citizens, and some houses had been suffered very much."

"This state of things could not last indefinitely, however, and so went to work to devise means for accommodating all the homeless ones. Many large buildings were placed at our disposal, such as St. Mary's Hall, Knights of Columbus Hall, Naval and Military Club, Y.M.C.A. Club, and a whole lot of institutions too numerous to mention."

"My particular duty was to inspect these buildings and report to the Committee as to how many families could be accommodated in them. Then I had to draw up plans for the necessary alterations. Our aim was to give each family separate accommodation, and this necessitated the building of partitions in large rooms. This work kept me pretty busy."

"Has much damage been done to Army property?"

"Every window in every building we have has been broken, and a mass of doors have been smashed. I estimate that 600 panes of glass and 200 lbs. of putty will be needed. The buildings will have to be repaired more or less. We have No. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

THE WAR CRY

AND OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE SALVATION ARMY IN CANADA AND NEWFOUNDLAND.

International Headquarters:
101 Queen Victoria St., London, E.C.

William Booth, Founder.

Canada East Headquarters:
James and Albert Streets, Toronto.

35th Year. No. 15. Bramwell Booth, General. TORONTO, JANUARY 12, 1918. W. J. Richards, Commissioner. Price Three Cents.



PITY THE BLIND!

It is announced that two hundred persons, mostly young women and children, have been rendered totally blind by the Halifax earthquake. The above reproduction is of the famous picture by Sir John Mannia, which is in the Birmingham (England) Corporation Art Gallery, and which depicts, in a strikingly pathetic manner, the deprivations of the blind. The colours of the rainbow, the butterfly, and the flowers, and all the changing tints of sun, day, and clouds do not exist for their sightless eyes. For all who have been thus afflicted we ask the sympathy and prayers of our readers.

The Halifax Disaster Help Urgently Needed!

Confident that our generous friends would wish it and would gladly find the funds necessary, The Salvation Army

Went Straight to Business

Sending in Officers, Organizing Relief, Devoting its standing Buildings to feeding and sheltering the homeless, and generally helping the suffering.

Brigadier and Mrs. Bettridge and an additional party of eight Officers have been sent to Halifax to assist in

Continuing the Work

which will be required for some time, but its extent must be limited by the funds available.

HELP THE ARMY TO HELP THE NEEDY :: AND SUFFERING

USE THIS FORM

To COMMISSIONER RICHARDS,

Toronto, Ontario:

S. A. Temple, James and Albert Streets,

I enclose \$_____ as a contribution to the Fund for

The Army's Work on behalf of the Halifax sufferers.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Make Money Orders and Cheques payable to The Salvation Army

WITH OUR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS IN CAMP AND AT THE FRONT.

LETTERS FROM WAR ZONE

A Series of Interesting Communications from Staff-Captain Mary Booth to Her Sister the Late Captain Miriam.

"As with most Salvation Army Officers, how to get through all that needs doing in the twenty-four hours, is still the puzzle! Often my time seems to be filled with such small things. Take to-day for example. Only placing a few flowers on his grave—it was his birthday, and his mother had especially asked me to do it—almost a couple hours gone! Only visiting a hospital some fifteen miles from here in answer to an inquiry from an anxious sister who writes: 'Mother is heart-broken; can you find out how he is?' I found the lad badly wounded, but have been able to relieve the anxiety of his dear ones. I fear I think he will pull through. A few more hours are accounted for. Only a bunch of flowers for a man who is too ill to eat, and only some letters to sign, and the day is all but gone."

Prayer Answered

"The last letter to-day is from a mother—her boy has just been killed. I met him for the first time at a Sunday night meeting in camp. I cannot write his story in full, but it is a hurried hand-shake at the close of the meeting; confession that he was not keeping right. Addressed a letter to me from his mother saying we were praying for him. Again at a convalescent camp—this time he had a glowing face—he had 'reconverted' which meant to God. Another Sunday—beautiful meetings; he is our violinist and is full of faith and zeal—this is our last memory of him. Up the line—bright letters. In one he writes: 'My one and only desire is that I might be spared once again to take up my cross and give him all my life,' and requests us to send song books and Testaments to distribute amongst his men. Then a letter from his mother—who has heard he had a narrow escape from death. 'He talks of death,' she says, 'and he has never done so before. As a boy he never would think of death, and would not look upon it so now it is more terrible for him than for some.' Then that awful silence—no letter—still no letter—men 'killed in action,' and the mother, broken-hearted, writes—"

A Mother's Letter

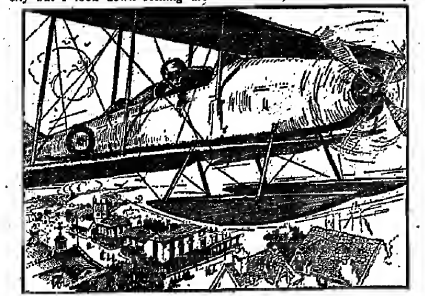
"I got the letter and just read a little—Oh, I cannot describe to you that awful letter, it will always live in my memory. I feel I have nothing to lighten my future, now he is gone. I thank you personally for all your kindness to him and for the spiritual help you have given him. This is a cold world, only sorrow and anxiety staring us in the face. 'And so we shall not see him again and can only comfort him in his dear mother in the 'Great Comforter.' And for him, and the many thousands who lie in 'unknown graves,' we pray that they may live and to-morrow he dies, but to-day he lives, and to-morrow he lives."

"It is a good thing to kneel. It is not a weak thing or a mean thing to kneel. It may be childlike, but it is not childlike."

"SPOTTING" FROM A SEAPLANE

Pilot-Officer Seeks Salvation at Army Open-air, Makes a Great Discovery, and Longs to Become a Soul-Winner

HE was a tall, outstanding officer-pilot in the R.N.A.S., and as he shook The Salvation Army Officers' hand he said, "I never fly over this city but I look down seeking the



Hovering Over the Town, the R.N.A.S. Officer Looks for The Army Open-air Meeting

spot where you hold your open-air, and I say to myself, 'Thank God, that's where the burden of my heart rolled away.' These two had for some time been chums (says the British 'War Cry'), a relationship which had come about in a most interesting manner. One night, in a Scottish city—which, for this article to pass the censor, must be nameless—a crowd of between 300 and 400 people were singing heartily, as was their wont every Saturday night, the songs of Salvation when the Ensign noticed that among the heartiest of the singers was a naval officer. Presently the man approached the Ensign, and put a pound note into his hand, saying, 'Your singing has done me good. It was splendid!'

At the close of the meeting he again came to the Ensign, gave him his card, and asked if he would correspond with him, as he was very good. It was splendid!

SAID THEIR PRAYERS

When Order Came to 'Go Over the Top'

A Salvationist, out of the many thousands in the fighting line, who was 'half-fellow-well-me' with his comrades, and consequently more able to get from them an honest admission of their doings, asked the men of his own particular platoon what they had done just before they went 'over the bags' in face of a pretty hot fire.

"I did what I do!" said one. "Why, I did what I guess you did—I said my prayers!"

"So did I," answered another. "A little sleepily, it is true, but under the spot of the moment, and encouraged by his comrades, he made the frank admission. Thereupon the other members of the platoon, without a single exception, admitted that just on the instant when they were

anxious to get into touch with some spiritual friend. They have regularly written to each other since then, and in one of his last letters the pilot-officer said, "Each time I write you

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"Then I won't get on, sergeant," answered the Salvationist quietly, and somehow the sergeant, whose bark was evidently much worse than his bite, felt inclined to listen to him.

In an open matter-of-fact way, the lad related how his father and mother, both terrible characters and drunkards to boot, had been won for God by The Salvation Army, and how, during the last sixteen years, he had been well cared for and brought up to love God, and, he concluded, "I promised myself that if I ever got to be the same once, sergeant—that I'd be good and rebuke wrong wherever I saw it. That's why I've spoken."

The sergeant—who by the way, is now fond of telling this story to the people whenever he gets a chance—winds up by saying, "In two months' time that lad had led me and four of his chums to God, and who knows? if I'd got saved twenty years before I might have been a commissioned officer now!"

BARK WORSE THAN MY

Picky Salvationist Stands Up for the Right and Wins Sergeant and Four Others.

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CARE OF SOLDIERS' TEETH

The Importance of Dental Surgery Now Recognized.

At the beginning of the present war the dental surgeon, so far as the allies were concerned, was not officially recognized in army circles. Indeed, it was not until the Germans marched into Brussels, with a dental post every ten kilometers, that the allies appreciated the importance of oral hygiene.

To-day there are eleven American dental field ambulances in France alone. Men who were formerly sent home on sick leave, whose only trouble was their molars, are now kept at the front. Soldiers to the number of a division and a half have been spared to the army. Furthermore, the surgeons insist that the man with bad teeth makes a slow recovery. And then, too, army rations are hard to masticate, so that the man with poor teeth and bad digestion is a loss to strength and endurance.

A STRANGE MEETING

Brother Bowie, from 'Somewhere in the East,' writes to the Egyptian 'War Cry': "I generally pass my days with two Salvationists whom I met here. It was rather strange how we met. I had another comrade were by ourselves and reading God's Word, and singing when these two comrades, who were sitting about a hundred yards away, caught the hymn and joined in it. I sang 'He had said'."

SAVATION SUNSHINE DIESEL SOCIAL SHADOWS

ADULT PROBATION

An Address Recently Given by Commissioner Charles Sowton at the Manitoba Social Welfare Congress in Winnipeg

THE SALVATION ARMY has had very considerable experience in dealing with both male and female delinquents in this and other countries, and has for many years been acquainted with Adult Probation in various forms. We are fully convinced of its usefulness both in preventing men and women who have been led astray through bad surroundings, from being branded as criminals and also those who have been imprisoned from continuing in crime.

Two Forms of Probation

The two forms of Adult Probation as present in vogue in Canada are: 1. The Suspended Sentence. 2. Release on Parole.

Both of these systems serve, even in their present form, a very useful purpose, but with certain alterations in the laws governing same, could, we think, be made still more effective. I will deal with the parole question first.

The parole system is an arrangement by which a prisoner who has served at least half his sentence can be released upon some responsible person or body undertaking to answer for his or her good behaviour. Our experience, however, is that at least 50% of the prisoners in our jails and penitentiaries have no friends to whom they can turn for help in this matter, and therefore, the Salvation Army, as the friend of the friendless, is often appealed to by prisoners to interest themselves on their behalf.

Met on Discharge

One of our Officers meets the prisoner on discharge from prison and they are taken to one of our Homes, where they are kept for a short time until suitable employment can be found for them. We endeavor to keep in touch with them for the whole of the period of their parole, and often beyond this period, and constantly advise and help them and also urge them to seek that Power from Above which alone can

"THE OLD SERGEANT"

Brother Nicholson, a Men's Social Troop at Montreal, Goes Home to Glory.

A familiar figure has been removed from the Men's Social Department in Montreal, by the promotion to Glory of Sergeant D. Nicholson, who passed away at the Royal Victoria Hospital on Friday, Dec. 14th, after being a patient there for nearly five months.

Our comrade—family life called "the old Sergeant"—was an interesting personality. Standing about six feet four, erect, with white hair and whiskers, he presented a striking appearance in his uniform, and who have travelled in all parts of the world, had a warm regard for the deceased even when they sometimes resented his discipline.

Monument of Saving Grace

It was a monument of saving grace, and a tribute to Salvation Army methods in dealing with extraordinary cases; the methods in this case being executed by the now glorified Captain Washington. With-out doubt the Captain experienced a case of deep joy when this trophy was captured, but how much greater we imagine is the nature of spiritual parent and child on the meeting in that glorious world beyond.

Major Southall conducted the funeral service on Sunday afternoon in Wesley's Chapel (the undertakers).

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ADULT PROBATION

An Address Recently Given by Commissioner Charles Sowton at the Manitoba Social Welfare Congress in Winnipeg

THE SALVATION ARMY has had very considerable experience in dealing with both male and female delinquents in this and other countries, and has for many years been acquainted with Adult Probation in various forms. We are fully convinced of its usefulness both in preventing men and women who have been led astray through bad surroundings, from being branded as criminals and also those who have been imprisoned from continuing in crime.

Two Forms of Probation

The two forms of Adult Probation as present in vogue in Canada are: 1. The Suspended Sentence. 2. Release on Parole.

Both of these systems serve, even in their present form, a very useful purpose, but with certain alterations in the laws governing same, could, we think, be made still more effective. I will deal with the parole question first.

The parole system is an arrangement by which a prisoner who has served at least half his sentence can be released upon some responsible person or body undertaking to answer for his or her good behaviour. Our experience, however, is that at least 50% of the prisoners in our jails and penitentiaries have no friends to whom they can turn for help in this matter, and therefore, the Salvation Army, as the friend of the friendless, is often appealed to by prisoners to interest themselves on their behalf.

Met on Discharge

One of our Officers meets the prisoner on discharge from prison and they are taken to one of our Homes, where they are kept for a short time until suitable employment can be found for them. We endeavor to keep in touch with them for the whole of the period of their parole, and often beyond this period, and constantly advise and help them and also urge them to seek that Power from Above which alone can

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CHRISTMAS DINNER

Provided for Eighty-five Men at Toronto Industrial.

Eighty-five men partook of The Army's free dinner on Christmas Day at the Toronto Industrial Department. The pleasure it gave to attend to the feeding of those who were there was indeed a reward worth while.

The men were all loud in their praise of the well-laid table, and the pleasure of eating their Christmas dinner in a room so nicely decorated, as there had been no pains spared to make everything appear like the old-fashioned Christmas festivities.

Major Jennings, in the absence of Lieut.-Colonel Hargrave, presided. After the dinner, the Major, on behalf of the Industrial Department, spoke to the men and assured them of The Army's continual interest in them.

At 5 p.m. a dinner was provided for our employees and their families. Although some could not get there, yet we numbered fifty-three. After the dinner the party assembled at the Working Men's Home, where a splendid programme was given, of recitations, dialogues, etc. Then Santa Claus arrived, who gave to each child a present from the tree, not forgetting the older folks, who all got something.

Woman's Work Ways and Warfare.

HOME LEAGUE NOTES

The Home League was started some eight months ago at Amherst, with forty-two members. The results are very gratifying. The proceeds of the first Sale of Work, amounting to \$80 and 25 pairs of socks, have been sent to Mrs. Commissioner Richards, to be forwarded to the boys at the front. We have also made up articles of clothing for five motherless children, who are all now regular attendants at the Company Meeting. They never came before. The League visits sick people and takes fruit, etc., to them. We had another tea and sale recently, and \$118 was the amount raised. The League is a great financial benefit to the Corps. We have just suffered a great loss in the farewell of our Secretary, Mrs. P. J. Griffin, who has gone to Montreal. She was a great spiritual strength to the League, as well as an all-round, energetic worker.

Twice—Although we only started the League six weeks ago, we have already found it a great blessing to the Corps, and the sister-comrades and friends. On Saturday, Dec. 15th, we had our first Sale, which took place in a store on the main street, and resulted in the splendid sum of \$55. The proceeds go toward the redemption of our Hall. The League has attracted great interest, many of the leading townspeople attending. Great credit is due to Secretary Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Linworth, and the Home League members. We concluded with a great and interesting service conducted by the members of the League at night.

Guelph—The Home League at this Corps is a real live concern. On Dec. 11th we held a Sale of Work for the purpose of getting wool to knit the socks promised for our boys at the front (forty pairs). It was also to help with the Christmas boxes sent to the boys. Mrs. Lieutenant Russell, Secretary, and the Life-Saving Guards did us a good turn by getting up a candy stall which earned \$2. All the six stalls were decorated beautifully, and were a credit to the workers. We have at present twenty-six members, and mean to do better in the coming year. Mrs. Adjutant Russell, Secretary.

THE PRAYING LEAGUE

PRAYER SUBJECT
(That this Corps may be herald a messengers of peace and freedom, and a turning of the nations to seek the Lord.)

REDEMPTION'S PLAN

By Mrs. Blanche Reed-Johnston
What are you going to do to get out of this mess? The highest use of your new-found opportunity? So wrote a gentleman of common-sense and independence and responsibility to the author of the "Prayer Subject." It is a very important question, and I have given much thoughtful consideration and study to the solution of this problem.

The answer, to my view, seems to be found in a true conception and understanding of the real meaning of redemption's work on the Cross. At one "Gospel" lesson are found in Genesis 1, I feel we cannot go on to the historical dealings of Jesus with the nations, and

Women's Social Work Anniversary

Thirty-third for the United Kingdom Held in London GATHERING WAS ADDRESSED BY MRS. BOOTH

THE Thirty-third Anniversary of the Women's Social Work in the United Kingdom was held in the Westminster Central Hall, London. I left our legislators just now engaged on high purposes of State," said Sir Donald Maclean, the first

field is concerned, victoriously meeting the case, (Cheers). The work is worthy of our sympathy and our close personal association, and of all the money the Government, as representing the people as a whole, and we individually, according to



Officers of the Toronto Women's Hospital

Back Row (left to right): Lieutenant Durden, Van Wickham, Thompson, Lee, Iretti, and Sister Wright. Front Row: Ensign Ball, Major Josy, Captain Forrest (now at the Montreal Rescue Home), and Captain Robinson. (See Report on Page 9.)

speaker, "and though I do not feel a little bit different, the purpose here is the same. My subject is: the children. Before this great war broke upon us, there was a very remarkable shortage of boys, the real cause of which was the South African war, and the present conflict has put a whole generation out of action. The future of this great Empire twenty years hence will depend almost entirely upon what we are doing with the children to-day." ("Hear, hear.")

"Happily, for my peace of mind, I received the report of the work we are accomplishing here this afternoon to hear something about, and I find that in every one of those particular which Government officials say are means by which this grave national danger can alone be met, I find this branch of The Salvation Army is doing its share of the

our respective consciences, can give to it" (Applause.) "It does not seem thirty-three years ago since we wended our way down to Whitechapel, and the first Institution connected with Salvation Army Social Work was opened," said Mrs. Booth on rising. And it certainly was a far cry from that day to this in which she was able to speak of work in connection with the Mother's Hospital, at Clapton, in which there had been over two thousand births during the past year; 625 in the Institution itself and 1,417 in the surrounding districts, where the mothers were attended by the nurses from the Hospital. (Applause.)

"In regard to the highest interest of the nation at this time the Mother's Hospital, she continued, "in London alone, on Piccadilly, there were over four thousand interviews in the

of becoming the mother of our Lord. Jesus Christ; 2. She became His trusted friend and associate; "Knox Jesus loved Martha and her sister" (John 11:5).

Read the sixteenth chapter of Romans and see the important place St. Paul gave the women in the early Church. General and Mrs. Booth, who were the first to reveal the work of the women and the heritage of citizenship—the Queen. Either for "such a time as this" she said, "how to put the whole subject of citizenship upon a high plane of veneration."

In the after-day days, which we hope soon to greet, all our efforts to guide in, and which should be conducted in the golden presence of Christ as our guide in service. "Whatever we would that men should do unto us, so we even so to them."

night hours upon the streets, and from that centre forty-nine, and were reached and taken away to places of safety.

Commissioner Adelaide Cox spoke specially of the Children's Work. "We have, now," she said, "the Homes especially set apart for the reception of children, and another can go out to work and come back and live with her baby, have baby with her at night, and see it in the morning before she goes out to work her own living." (Applause.)

Rev. Dr. Archibald Fleming who declared that Mrs. Booth was a constant amazement and inspiration to him, being always not only up-to-date, but before date, added that while the Government was thinking of the Ministry of Health The Salvation Army had created one.

THIRTY-SEVEN BOXES

Sent to Boys Overseas by Kingston Home League.

We have at Kingston made great strides both financially and spiritually, in the past few months. A Sale of Work was held on Oct. 31st, which yielded about \$75. Mr. Greene kindly sent an Edison gramophone, which was very much appreciated. With the money from this Sale we sent thirty-seven boxes to our soldiers overseas. Each box contained 2 pairs socks, 3 bars best chocolate, 2 packages gum, packet figs, 10 Oxo cubes, 2 packages soup, 2 packets biscuits, and Christmas greetings from the Home League. From the Sale there was a quantity of goods left, so Mrs. Barnes kindly gave as the use of her home, and a private house Sale was held on Dec. 4th, at which we raised \$50. This money was given to curate the Corps' coat which during the year 1924 came into the treasury, and was used to the best advantage by the Treasurer (Mrs. Widdell). The ladies are acquiring their annual tea, so that today may be sent to the soldiers. Through the efforts of the Home League and our worthy Officers (Adjutant and Mrs. Smith), six of our members have been converted, and two have become Soldiers. We are slowly but steadily increasing our numbers. —Mrs. C. Wright (Secretary).

With this thought uppermost in our minds, every opportunity brings a corresponding burden of responsibility. The ladies are working faithfully and charged with tremendous potentialities of service, and must only be used for the uplift of humanity and purely for the good of the world. With the ballot, women must unite with the sons, brothers, and husbands who are fighting for human liberty, for the freedom of others, the equality of the weak with the stronger. For the women to become fully another political party would be a calamity.

Testing times have passed. It may be that greater testings to the great cause are coming. For others to come. For many women stretch out vistas of years of loneliness with only a cherished memory for solace and consolation. For others the sadness of seeing the strength of their loved manhood reduced to shattered nerve and general weakness.

FOR FIRST TIME

Salvation Army Christmas Demonstration at Mimico

For the first time in the history of the town of Mimico, a real up-to-date Christmas Demonstration was conducted by the Young People's Corps of The Salvation Army under the direction of Captain R. McLean. Long before the time of commencing the Hall was filled to overflowing with a very enthusiastic and expectant crowd of people. Dances, recitations, songs, etc., were rendered by the children and Young People. Sergeant-Major Kemp, of Leger Street, was the Chairman. Sharp at 9:15 p.m. the jingling of bells and in came Santa seated on the back of a huge brown dog called Fido. Every Junior received a splendid present from the hands of Santa or the laws of Fido. A number of the Leger Street Handmaids supplied the music.

The whole of the expense in connection with the presents for the children, etc., was borne by a donation of the Mimico Corps (Mr. E. Clippendale), and every cent taken in at the meeting went to the Young People's Fund for the New Year's supply.

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ADJ. AND MRS. KENDALL

Open Campaign at Ingersoll Corps

At Ingersoll we are now in the midst of a Revival Campaign, with Adjutant and Mrs. Kendall leading on. Good crowds attended the services for the first week-end, Dec. 20th-21st, and the interest in the campaign is increasing. A splendid Holmes service was conducted on Sunday morning, and the power of God was felt. We are praying and believing for great victories in the next few days.

Brigadier Rawling and Adjutant Ritchie (London Divisional Headquarters) conducted red-hot meetings for the Christmas week-end.

VISITED THE SICK

And Sang Carols to Them—Fine Young People's Demonstration.

"The little Corps by the sea" (Charlestown) is still on the move. Sunday night, after the service, a number of Soldiers and our Officers went to a number of homes of the sick and blind, carolling. The weather was very frosty and we were all asked inside. The singing was much enjoyed by those who are not privileged to go to the meetings.

Christmas night was a beautiful night and the Hall was packed to the doors for our Young People's Demonstration. A splendid programme was rendered. The proceeds are to be sent to the Halifax Relief Fund. Our Officers (Ensign and Mrs. Gould) are working faithfully in the interest of the Corps.—P.

Dunville—On Sunday night, Dec. 24th, a very impressive memorial service was conducted by Captain and Mrs. Larnach, and was a most successful one. An organ accompaniment was taken up for the Halifax Relief Fund. On Wednesday, Dec. 26th, our Christmas tree and social evening. The Hall was crowded.—S. M.

Dundas—We had with us for four days Ensign Hancock, from Toronto. He is an old friend and soldier of the Corps. Every comrade enjoyed his visit and interest with rapid attention to his life story.

Christmas Treats for Prisoners

At Thornhill Farms for Men and Women—Dovercourt Band Gives Programme Under Presidency of Brigadier Adby

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The almost family-like atmosphere which is the characteristic of this institution, and puts it so far away from the old-fashioned jail as the east is from the west, made it easy for the comrades who took part in the programme to mix themselves at home, and it would be difficult to say who enjoyed themselves the most. The climax of the evening was the singing of the chorus "Sweeter as the Days Go By." Brigadier Adby very quickly

PRISONERS AT REGINA

Are Cheered and Helped by Visit of Salvationists—Social Workers Relieve the Needy.

On Sunday, Dec. 23rd, Captain Sutherland Stewart and Adjutant J. Habbick paid a visit to the Provincial Jail (Regina) to conduct a service. The weather was very cold. It being about 30 below zero. They drove out in a cutter. Major Combs and Lieutenant Gregg also assisted. They were well repaid for their journey, when, at the close of the meeting, thirteen men raised their hands for prayer, and eight came forward.

On Christmas Day Captain Stewart took a double Quartette and Ensign and Mrs. Gould, and again the kindness of the people was shown to the tune of over \$300. During the week previous to Christmas, Adjutant Stewart and Captain Stewart were busy investigating the needy homes, but only twelve families were found who were considered to be actually in need. These were supplied with a good, substantial lunch for their Christmas dinner. Besides upon our Social Officers art gave a Christmas dinner to some eight men and three women. In addition to these, coal has also been given to several families in need. After all the needs had been supplied for Christmas a good sum was left for relief work during the winter.

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had the whole audience in the "traces," and handling the "reins" of melodious leadership like a coachman who knows his road, he fairly lifted them into a harmonious gallop. More than one man was wiping the perspiration from his face before the finish. The tune—and the words—will "stick."

The Brigadier, Major and Mrs. Fraser and their daughter, who gave a recitation, together with Staff-Captain Easton, Captain Mapp, and Sister H. Moore, had been to the Women's Farm in the afternoon on a similar mission. The comrades last-named, and Sisters Ivy Beer and Mrs. Gooch, who came with the Band, also took part in the evening programme. Adjutant Stewart was also present and Captain Beer assisted in the Band.

The messages of the Salvation song and music were evidently understood. The familiar tunes of "The Old, Old Story" and "Songs of Heaven" selections stirred memories which checked with the glimmering dew of sorrow for a mis-spent past, while the eyes which were the fountains from which these gracious drops were poured, brightened with the clear gaze of newborn manliness and dependence upon the help of God for victory over sin.

Presents of handkerchiefs and fruit were given to the men. In every effort that was put forth to make the Christmas celebration happy and profitable, the comrades concerned had the warmest co-operation of Miss Carson (the lady superintendent) and her assistants at the Women's Farm, and of the gentlemen already named and their staff at the Men's.

Their troubles in seeing how much enjoyment their visit gave.

The Social Department under Captain Stewart is making itself very much felt in our city. Just a week or so ago a man came out of jail and called to see the Captain. He had got converted a week before, and in the store Captain Stewart and Ensign Bury went down with the man and thanked God for his goodness. This is only one of the many things that happen in that Department.

For some years now the familiar figures of Salvationists have been seen on the streets of Regina at Christmas time, while the passer-by is reminded to "Keep the Pot Boiling." This year was no exception, although the need for relief is not as great as in former years, and again the kindness of the people was shown to the tune of over \$300.

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MEMORIAL SERVICE

Conducted at Truro by Ensign Laing—Two Souls Forward.

On Sunday, Dec. 23rd, a memorial service was held at Truro for those who lost their lives in the Halifax explosion. A good crowd was present and a fine spirit prevailed. Ensign Laing gave a very pathetic and touching account of what he had seen and heard, also of the prominent part that The Army was taking in relieving the sorrowing and suffering. At the close of the address two souls came forward.

Before closing, an appeal was made for the Halifax sufferers, which met with a good response. Things are going very nicely in the Corps. The Christmas "War Cry" sold well, 250 copies more were sold this year than last. The Home League has recently sent a number of parcels overseas to many of the local boys, and we have just had our second Sale of Work, which was a great success.

Great credit is due to Mrs. Ensign Laing, who has had the full responsibility of the Corps during the absence of the Ensign in Halifax, who is returning to the front to link up with the Relief Work.

HALL WRECKED

And Quarters Destroyed—But the Work of God Will Go On.

I regret to state that the Hall at Tuft's Cove was completely wrecked and Booth Cottage (the Quarters) was destroyed by fire in the recent disaster at Halifax. Cottage meetings will, however, be held when possible, and God's work will not be stopped.

A curious feature of the explosion was that none of The Army Converts were injured, although Mrs. Sergeant Wimble was buried beneath the ruins of her house and had a remarkable escape—not even her eyeglasses being broken. She was able to care for the injured immediately after the catastrophe.

The Local Officers in charge of this Outpost have had to remove to Dartmouth, but are expecting to rebuild the Quarters next summer and again set up the Cross—John Wimble.

A HAPPY DAY

At the Montreal Working Women's Home.

A very happy meeting was held at the Montreal Working Women's Home on Christmas Day. The Officers and inmates, numbering fifty-two, sat down to a nice dinner, after which there were gifts presented to every one from a large tree. Altogether it was a happy day. One of the women expressed her delight by saying, "It's the happiest Christmas Day I ever spent. You are good friends!" We ended with selections on the gramophone.—T. and P.

SUMMERSIDE, P.E.I.

Brother Lewis delivered his interesting lecture on "From University to Prison" to a large audience in The Army Hall at Summerside on Friday, Dec. 14th. He held the audience for over two hours while he told his experience from boyhood till conversion. We believe much good was done, and the people listened with awe and a deeper regard for the work of The Salvation Army.—E. A. G.

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OFFICERS' CHILDREN

Provided with Christmas Treats at Toronto and Winnipeg.

The Treat annually given to the children of Officers stationed in and around Toronto was most successfully carried through in the Temple on Thursday, Dec. 27th.

Commissioner and Mrs. Richards, the Chief Secretary and Mrs. McMillan, the Field Secretary, and Mrs. Morris headed all the comrades of Staff and Field in seeing that the youngsters had an enjoyable and profitable time, no pains being spared to make them happy. Santa Claus, too, was a prominent assistant in the evening's proceedings.

An interesting programme, in which the Young People themselves contributed some most delightful items, was given in the Temple. Good comradeship, hard work, and unity in the service of the young folk were outstanding characteristics of the whole of the proceedings.

At the Tea given on Friday, Dec. 28th, by Terrestrial Headquarters to the children of Officers stationed in Winnipeg, every one present gave evidence that they thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton and Lient-Colonel and Mrs. Turner saw all were made to feel right at home. Staff-Captain Peacock (the Young People's Secretary) was in his element. At five o'clock sharp all were summoned to adjourn to the Young People's Hall, where supper had been prepared by Mrs. Brigadier Phillips and the Cadets.

At the conclusion Brigadier Taylor said he was glad to "introduce the family." The Chief Secretary then called upon Quince Gossling and George Sowton, Will Carter, and Arthur Taylor to speak on behalf of the Young People. All acquitted themselves well. One made reference to the fact that last year Charlie, the Commissioner's eldest son, was present, but now was "Somewhere in France." "We boys all miss him very much!"

Representative Speakers

Among the speakers were Captain Crockett, who has recently been transferred to Canada West. Mrs. Major Payne represented the Women's Social and Captain Cooper the Men's Social. Cadets Howden and Albert Ramsdale represented the Cadets. The spirit of comradeship so dear to the heart of every Salvationist was in great evidence.

The Commissioner's remarks were brief, but most fitting. An interesting programme of music, song, and recitation was given by a number of Young People later in the evening, and they were also treated to a splendid series of stereoscopic views exhibited by Brigadier Taylor. Then followed the appearance of Santa Claus.

A TAG DAY

FOR THE ARMY'S WORK ON BEHALF OF THE TROOPS

A Tag Day will be held throughout the Canada East Territory on February 13th for the purpose of raising funds for the maintenance and extension of The Army's Work in the interests of our boys overseas.

Funds for this purpose are urgently needed, and we are sure all comrades and friends will unite to make this day a success.

COMMISSIONER SOWTON

Conducts the Christmas Morning Service at Winnipeg I. And Presides Over Happy Gatherings at Detention Home

ALTHOUGH the thermometer registered 35 degrees below zero in many parts of the City of Winnipeg, there was an excellent attendance at the service conducted by Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton at the Citadel on Christmas morning. The service, though a brief one, brought to the minds of all present the importance of Christmas Day. There was a ring of sincere gratitude to God in every exercise. The Commissioner's address was full of helpful lessons, gleaned from the record of the account of the Birth of Christ.

Our Leaders were supported by the Chief Secretary and the Territorial, Divisional, Social, and Training Staffs, and the Territorial Salvation Slings.

Lieut.-Colonel Turner had charge of the opening exercises, and Brigadier Taylor and Philip both spoke. The Territorial Salvation Slings rendered Christmas music.

Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton, accompanied by Mrs. Brigadier Potter, paid a visit to the Government Detention Home on Dec. 23rd, for the purpose of conducting the evening service with the children, who numbered about seventy. Adjutant Carter, after the visitors were welcomed, sang, in company with Mrs. Carter, a beautiful duet, entitled, "Mother's Story," the children taking up the refrain.

The juveniles sang both with spirit and sweetness. Mrs. Sowton, in her motherly way, spoke to the children, and then, in her words, we believe, fell into receptive cards and hearts. Mrs. Brigadier Potter also gave a very helpful little address.

Conducts a Day of Salvation at Brandon—Twenty Seekers

THE visit of Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton was deeply appreciated by the Soldiers and friends of Brandon Corps. Veterans and Recruits all came with the same spirit and desire.

Our Leaders had messages for all. A word to the saved, another to the lukewarm and neglectful Christian, another to the backslider, and then one for the sinner; while a very tender word was spoken to the sorrowing who have lost loved ones or are feeling the strain of loved ones being away so long.

One of the best-loved talks of the day was that given to the Local Officers at 9:45 a.m.

THE POOR AND NEEDY

Are Given Christmas Cheer at Winnipeg—Over Three Hundred Baskets Distributed

THE appeal for funds to cover the cost of giving the poor and needy of the City of Winnipeg a Christmas Dinner has been under the direction of Territorial Headquarters, in conjunction with Brigadier Taylor (Divisional Commander for Manitoba).

When the matter first came up for consideration, it was estimated that two hundred baskets would be ample to meet the need. When the Officers, whose duty it was to investigate the circumstances and conditions of the various applicants, commenced their work, they found that the distress

The talk given by the Commissioner was very reasonable, entitled "The Gift," and was listened to eagerly, especially the many stories which he told illustrating Heavenly truths. Many tears were seen to fall during the prayer meeting, indicative of awakened desires for clean hearts and lives, and many recorded a wish to be prayed for. The meeting closed with praises unto God and thanks for the visitors' kindly presence.

Christmas Day at the Detention Home was unforgetable for juvenile joy and happiness. Strains of music, discarding old-time carols charmed the children to sleep the night before, and early next morning they were aroused by the sound of Santa Claus' horn and his jolly laughter. The old gentleman was much in evidence later on in the day, and he did not depart until he had given out tremendous loads of toys and presents.

Visitors during the morning included Dr. Thornton (Minister of Education), Mr. Fletcher (his Deputy), and also Dr. Coulter. These gentlemen were in the blessed with the preparations under way for the satisfying of the juvenile craving for good things to eat and to enjoy.

An excellent demonstration was given in the evening, Commissioner Sowton occupying the chair. The items given by the children and Staff spoke much for those in charge, who spared no pains in making the evening one of blessing and delight. Among those present were Mrs. Sowton, Mrs. Dr. McIntyre, Brigadier and Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Brigadier Potter, Major and Mrs. Sims, Staff-Captain and Mrs. Peacock, and Ensign Carter—Captain Putt.

While Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton addressed the children in the afternoon, a very impressive dedication service was conducted by Brigadier Taylor, the infant daughter of Brother and Sister Dinahale being given to God. The father of the little one is now overseas.

An all some twenty or more came to the Mercy Seat during the day in the children's meeting, in which the Commissioner spoke, four in the Holiness meeting, and others in the night meeting. It was truly, as announced, a "Day of Salvation."

There were families who were man to be out of employment in the city, for the demand for labor is on the increase. But there were many cases of the aged poor to be cared for, who were buried away so to speak, in the corner of tenement houses and the poorer localities.

Then there were families who were wage-earner had been stricken down with sickness; and, in some cases, had been confined to his bed for weeks.

There were poor but respectable widows who worked by the day, and

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PRAYER FOR

WEEKLY GATHERING FOLLOWING KING'S DAY OF PRAYER

Noon-day Meetings in the Temple—Commissioner Richards to Lead First of the Series.

It has now been decided to follow up the King's Call appeal to devote Sunday, Jan. 6th, to appeal to God for help and guidance for the Empire, a Prayer Meeting shall be held weekly at all Corps and Canada East Territory.

At the first meeting, Commissioner Richards will inaugurate the series with a gathering in the Toronto Temple. This will be held on Tuesday, January 8th, from 12 to 12:30.

Similar meetings are to be continued weekly, the leaders being appointed being: January 15th, Brigadier Morris; 22nd, Brigadier Kelly; 29th, Brigadier Adley.

The Proclamation issued by the King reads:

"To My People: The world is in a struggle for the triumph of good and liberty is endangered by evil and most difficult phase. The world is striving by desperate assault to subvert the principles of justice and in a spirit of resentment to wrong already committed."

The King's prayer is a call to the tide of a free civilization. We have yet to complete the great task which more than three years ago we dedicated ourselves to. I think I would call upon you to direct a special day of prayer that we may have the clear-sightedness and strength necessary to the victory of our cause. This victory will be won only if we steadfastly recognize the responsibility which rests upon us and in a spirit of serene confidence as the blessing of Almighty God upon our endeavors.

Hearts grateful for the blessing which has led us so far towards our goal let us seek to be fortified in our courage to let make before our work is done. Therefore hereby appoint January 6th, the first Sunday of the year, as a day of prayer and thanksgiving in all churches throughout my dominions and require that this letter be read at the services held on that day.

TOLD BY CADETS

What Various Folks Said Contributed to Winter Relief.

The Cadets in the Toronto Training College did splendid work in collecting on the streets for Christmas Cheer and Winter Relief. In response to the appeal, they collected a total of \$2,000 being put in the Pot.

Among the many letters we have received is one from a young soldier put a quarter of a pound of gold in the Pot. He said he did it because of a kindness shown to him by a Salvationist "over there."

A newsboy put in two cents, saying he was a good luck to do good to him. A man, in giving a donation, told the Cadet that he was a good luck to do good to him. A man, in giving a donation, told the Cadet that he was a good luck to do good to him.

INDIA: I.—The Country and Its Peoples

The First Article of Our New Competition Series

By ADJUTANT TYNDALL (SUNDARA DAS)

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One-fifth of Mankind is in the about twelve times that of the United Kingdom, measuring nearly 2,000 miles from north to south, and the same distance from east to west along its northern boundary. The sub-continent hosts a population of over 315,000,000, or nearly one-fifth of the entire human race. There are four large cities in India; most of the people live in villages, of which there are no fewer than 250,000, with an average population of about 400.

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Climate—India possesses an almost infinite variety of climate, from the "torrid zone" of the tropics to the perpetual summer of the tropics, as in Malabar. In the Panjab there are extremes of heat and cold, but in Central and Southern India there are well-defined seasons. The climate of India, however, except the jungle districts, is not on the whole unhealthy for the white race. Unhealthy precautions are observed.

Many Peoples

People—Not one people, but many. Some one has said that there are over 200 distinct races of people in India. A traveller in the country cannot fail to notice the extraordinary differences between the different districts, even in dress, features, and hair. As one goes from the north to the south, the type of face and build; the complexion and stature; the shape of the nose and ears; the color of the skin, all change.

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fact that there are at present 95 million Mohammedans within the British Empire, or about five million more than nominal Christians?

A Strange Mixture

Hinduism, to the casual observer, appears to be a strange mixture of superstition and magic, tempered by metaphysics. Hindus believe that there are an immense number of gods. Different gods are held in honour in different parts of the country, and among different classes of people, who believe that they are under the protection of this or that particular god. Some of these gods are worshipped with strange rites—many of them too hideous to describe—these customs.

Caste is that Hindu system by which the accident of birth determines the whole course of a man's social and domestic relations throughout life. He must eat, drink, dress, marry, and give in marriage in accordance with the usage of his community in which he is born.

There were originally four chief divisions or castes: The Brahmins, comprising the priests and teachers, the warriors, whose business it is to fight and rule the traders, supposed to engage in some commercial pursuit, and the Sudras (or laborers), who are required to serve the superior classes and perform all tasks considered by these to be beneath their dignity. Beneath these we find the depressed classes of India—untouchables, "pariahs"—who are outside the Hindu pale.

Thousands of Castes

The first-named caste (the Brahmins) has been gradually splitting up into an immense number of groups and sub-groups, and these, for tribal and other purposes, are classified in the most intricate fashion. In one province alone there are 200 major groups of Brahmins, many of which allow intermarriage, and below these there is an immense number of lower castes. The caste numbers over 2,500 minor castes.

That caste has certain advantages we cannot deny, but the practices of infant marriage and perpetual widowhood, the treatment of widows, and the outcast, leave it self-condemned.

A whole number of "The Cry" could be filled with interesting information about this great country, but we must be content now with having gained some of the outstanding features of Indian life. Enough has been said to give some idea of the difficulties that have to be faced by the white man who spread the Gospel which proclaims the Fatherhood of God; a living, personal, Divine Saviour; Salvation from all sin, here and now; regeneration by the Spirit of God, and the indwelling of the Holy Ghost.

Cry" who is not connected with the Editorial Department.

WHAT TO DO

(1) Read carefully the articles as they appear.

(2) Cut them out and keep them by you. Think about them, talk about them, and make notes of the points that strike you.

(3) The Cry as the last is printed start on your essay, and be sure it is posted in time to reach the Territorial Headquarters on the day which will be given.

THE COMPETITORS

Every reader of "The War

Private Jordan, Brantford

Killed in Action
In a letter of condolence sent to her by members of the machine gun section to which her husband belonged, Mrs. Jordan received the first intimation of his death. The letter was as follows:—

"It was with deepest regret and heartfelt sympathy for yourself and the children that we, the chums of your dear husband, convey to you our admiration for his gallantry and cheerfulness in the midst of danger. He was admired by all the transport section, always cheerful, and one who set an example of the life that is worth while to his companions by his true characteristics of unshakable courage."

"He was struck by shrapnel whilst taking ammunition to the guns, and passed away to his Heavenly Home fifteen minutes later, never regaining consciousness, the time being approximately 6.30 in the evening, October 20th, 1917. His last resting place is marked by a substantial cross, showing the date and year on which he gave up his life for peace and liberty, paying the price of his life for humanity and righteousness. We all realize the sadness and grief which has shadowed your home, and may the peace that passeth all understanding rest with you and your children through the days that are to come. In conclusion we owe and all wish to express our deepest sympathy to you and yours in this your hour of bereavement."

"Brother Jordan was a faithful Salvationist," writes Adjutant Osborne, "deeply spiritual, always to be depended upon. He will be missed from the Corps. He leaves a widow and two children. At the memorial service nine souls came forward."

Corporal A.H. Jackson, Moose Jaw

Our comrade passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 12th, at about four o'clock in the afternoon, from the Regina General Hospital. His death resulted from injuries received when in France, where he spent eleven months in the trenches. He was awarded from the Moose Jaw Corps for overseas service in September, 1915, and he returned disabled in July, 1917.

While he was in the hospital he got right in his soul, and was visited by the Corps Officers, Mr. Adjutant Haskins, and others, including

the writer. We always found him cheerful, and he seemed to be only waiting for the call to come, and said that he was not afraid to die. He would respond ardently in prayer when very weak. One of the last words that his devoted wife heard him say on earth was, "His grace." He did not finish the sentence.

On a bitterly cold day his remains were laid to rest by Major



Private Jordan Corporal Jackson

Coombs. We must remember the dead widow in our prayers.—A. Goodwin, Staff-Captain.

Brother John Eason, Lond Pond Death has visited the home of Envy and Mrs. Eason and removed their son John to his reward. He had been a sufferer nearly all his life, which was not a lengthy period, as he went home while in his twenty-fifth year. He was visited on his sick bed and urged to give his heart to God, which he did. He assured those who visited him that his trust and confidence was in the Lord, and that he was going to be with Jesus.

On the afternoon of Nov. 20th, the call came, and those who saw him passing over say it was indeed a peaceful one.

The funeral service, which was conducted by Captain and Mrs. Winsor, was largely attended. A memorial service was held on the night of Sunday Dec. 2nd, and one soul surrendered to God.—S. A. W.

PROMOTED TO GLORY

Brother Williams, St. Stephen
After several weeks of suffering, Brother Jacob Williams has laid down the cross for the crown. He was a Soldier for nearly nine years, always at his post, although seventy-five years of age, and living two miles away. His was a faithful service. His last testimony to the writer was that he was trusting in Jesus.

The funeral service was well attended, also the memorial service, which was held on Sunday, Dec. 16.

Sister Mrs. Hunt, Greenspond, Nfld.
On Nov. 19th our Sister passed away to join the Redeemed host. Sister Hunt was suffering from a cold contracted a short time ago but was not seriously ill. Her death was sudden and unexpected. Only a few hours before she passed away she was talking to her husband, and did not then complain of feeling ill. Our sister was a follower of God for many years and a loyal Soldier of The Army. She was a Soldier of Hare Bay Corps, but recently came to Greenspond to reside.

We held a memorial service on the following Sunday night. Our prayers are with the sorrowing husband and her brother (Sergeant-Major Collins, of Hare Bay), also the remaining relatives.

Sister Mrs. F. Heath, Dundurn
On Monday, Nov. 12th, after only a few hours' illness, a well-known and much-respected comrade of the early days of The Army in the City of Ottawa, Mrs. F. Heath, passed away to her reward. The family had resided for several years in the little town of Dundurn, Sask.

Quite late Mrs. Heath was especially remembered for her work among the Young People; she loved this work dearly, and both she and her surviving husband (who was then the Young People's Sergeant-Major), gave years of capable and devoted toil to the Corps for the

Young People's Salvation Army. The Officers in the Work were much to their patients, and their faithfulness.

The writer was privileged to visit the home very recently and see her comrade who then passed on to the Lord, and her experience was very much indeed. She appeared to enjoy so much to recall the many days that we had spent together in the Corps, and her vivid remembrance of the work of many of the Officers was very interesting indeed.

We would ask for the prayers of all for her bereaved husband, who for the two daughters, Daisy and Lilian. Of our departed comrade we can truly say that she rests in her labour and her work to follow her.—A. Goodwin, Staff-Captain.

Brother Brewer, Fredericton

The many Officers who were acquainted with Mr. L. P. Brewer will regret to learn of his sudden death. Although only a Soldier, he was a very warm friend of The Salvation Army. His wife, who has been a Soldier of the Corps for over thirty years, and feeling her loss very keenly, is being comforted by God. Just before her brother's death, he said to his wife, "I am trusting Jesus!"

At the memorial service, which was largely attended, quite a number of comrades spoke of his good life. Brother Buchanan, Corps Sergeant-Major, Osborne, Sister Keattie, and Brother Koller, among others, spoke of his life. Sister Mrs. Bangs sobbed very indignantly, "Some day we'll see him again!"

Sergeant Hoddinott, Greenspond, Nfld.

On Sunday, Dec. 2nd, a memorial service was held in the Church of Greenspond for Sergeant L. H. Hoddinott. Sergeant Hoddinott was missing since April 14th, 1915. He was a Soldier of the Corps, and his death was a great loss to the Corps. He was a very capable and devoted man, and his death was a great loss to the Corps.

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WHAT'S DOING ROUND THE WORLD

A WAR PRODUCTION YEAR

THE Press is unanimous in its declarations that one of the first home tasks of the new Government should be to organize the country for a second season of agricultural production during 1918.

"Next to the maintaining at full strength of her fighting forces," says the Toronto "Globe," "the Dominion's first war obligation is to share to the full limit of her capacity and resources in provisioning the Empire and the Allies."

"The Union Cabinet," says the Toronto "Mail and Empire," "ought not to hesitate in adopting drastic measures to ensure that there is no 'slack' on the farms, as in other essential industries. Prices paid to farmers are a serious enough, and it may be ought to be reinforced by a maximum. If it is practical, some method of drafting soldiers or ex-soldiers to the farms, and towns ought to be in force. Every county is the Dominion should have a committee reporting to the Department of Agriculture on special needs and operations."

All signs point to 1918 being made a suitable War Production year.

TO CONSERVE BRITISH COAL

A plan to conserve British coal supplies is under consideration by the Government. The amount of coal used in the United Kingdom for production of power is approximately 10,000,000 tons. A national scheme, such as is proposed, would save fifty million tons of this. It is calculated that with the saving of by-products now wasted by burning coal in open grates and boiler houses, a national economy of five hundred million dollars a year would be effected.

The scheme, in brief, is to put the whole electrical power of the country under the control of a National Commission. The advantages resulting from this would be a great increase in the use of electricity for all purposes. Factory chimneys would gradually disappear, railways would be electrified, even for the haulage of goods; train smoke would disappear from towns, and coal would need to run no further than the electric power station. Electric light would be cheap and plentiful for the poorest and there would be a large increase in the use of electric heat and power for household purposes.

As cars are getting scarce in Europe reinforcements are being sought for in the United States and the first cargo of one thousand will soon be shipped over.

THE BRITISH SPIRIT

THE following extract from the report of the London-American Trading Company gives a glimpse at the spirit permeating the British mercantile marine:—

"We have several ship captains on our employ who have sunk more than one German submarine and a good many of our ships have had scraps with the enemy during the last year," says the report. "Some have come home with holes in their funnels or sides, and others have failed to return. But when a ship has been torpedoed and gone down, the survivors hurry back to the offices of the firm, make a busy report, and then ask cheerily, 'When is the next ship to be ready?'"

BIG RAILWAY COMBINE

A FEW years ago the United States Government declared that railroad combination was a "restraint of trade." Now the roads are to be run in union to release traffic from the restriction and congestion caused by lack of harmonious action.

Thirty-eight railroads east of the Mississippi are to pool their facilities in order to relieve freight congestion, especially at ports and transshipment centres. Twenty-five per cent of the total mileage of the combined system will be under the direction of a new railroad executives of various lines, who will take the task of managing 300,000 employees and truck 22,000 occupations, 1,200,000 freight cars, and 1,000 passenger cars.

CONSCRIPTING CATS

THE British Government is now experimenting with cats in the trenches in order to keep down the troublesome rats.

The plague of rats in the trenches

FOREIGN MISSION WORK

OVER twenty million dollars was subscribed to foreign missions in the United States and Canada in the year 1917, according to a report by the Foreign Missions Conference.

What, it may be asked, is the object of repatriating the sale of package foods under 20 lbs. in weight? Primarily, to keep down excessive profits on such packages, which naturally are bought in the smallest sizes by the poorer classes. There was also the desire to prove how great a saving in cost could be made by the purchase of cereals in bulk. The difference in the last-named case was such as the average housewife could not be expected to find for herself. Rolled oats were found to be selling in packages weighing a little over three pounds at the rate of 82½ cents a pound. Bought in ten-pound bulk lots the same oats could be obtained for 65 cents per pound, and in twenty-pound lots at 62½ cents.

Measured by the difference in energy-giving units the variation in prices was found to be as striking. For instance, a certain fairly well-advertised brand of oats, giving a thousand "calories" or energy units, cost only 44 cents, while another breakfast food giving the same calories, cost 21.93 cents.

With such considerations before them the committee came to the conclusion that package cereals are not so cheap as cereals bought in bulk.

A BOYS' PARLIAMENT

THIRTY boys gathered from all parts of Ontario, met in Toronto recently to discuss matters connected with Boy Warfare. The boys dealt with covered practically the whole field of boyhood efficiency, mentally, morally, and physically.

The Parliament is the means chosen by the Ontario Provincial Advisory Committee for Co-operation in Boys' Work, to find out the boys' views upon the programme of studies and activities in connection with the Canadian Standard Efficiency Tests movement. This movement, in which the Boy Scouts organization, the Sunday School Association, and the Y.M.C.A. are co-operating, has been under way for some time, but the Parliament is the first of its kind.

The real service that the parliament is performing was given fitting recognition by Sir William Hearst in a letter read by his fellow "Prime Minister" to the Boys' Parliament. In his letter Sir William commented upon the value of promoting efficiency in the present generation of boys and bore testimony to the splendid service the boys of the province had given in assisting on the farms during the war.

CANADA'S FISH CATCH

THE value of the sea fish caught in Canadian waters during the month of November was \$2,145,240, according to a statement issued by the Department of Naval Service.

This is about double the value of the fish caught in November, 1916. The great increase in the value of the catch is largely accounted for by the fact that prices paid to fishermen last year were much higher than they were in 1916.

GOOD USE FOR BREWERY

AN American brewing company has decided to give up making beer and to enter into a cold storage business. As soon as arrangements can be made, architect will plan for the remodelling of the building as a cold storage warehouse.

It has been pointed out by members of the company that there is an unusual demand and a corresponding shortage of refrigerating plants in and about New York City.



At the Funeral Service for the Unidentified Dead in Halifax

Lieut.-Colonel Hargrave, who will be seen on the left, took part in the service as the official representative of The Salvation Army. He read the Hundred and Tenth Psalm. This photo appeared in a portion only of our last issue.

is by no means one of the slightest discomforts that the soldiers have to endure. They are reported to be extra large and extra bold. They rob the soldier of his food, and when he is sleeping they gnaw at his boots. They destroy property valued at millions of dollars every day, disturb the rest of the men, and to many are as loathsome as snakes are to the average person.

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SOME POINTED QUESTIONS

Are you experiencing the joy that Jesus gives?
Does a petty annoyance or imagined slight find the bottom of your joy well?

See "A Voice from the Dead"—Page 2.

YOUNG WARRIOR LAYS DOWN SWORD

(Continued from Page 3)

"This is the faith which Jesus had—the request, 'If it be possible let this cup pass from Me,' the supreme act of faith—'Nevertheless not My will but Thine be done.'"

The preparation of two books for the press occupied many months of close and (as many would regard) very difficult work, but they found as much pleasure in it as she expended infinite pains upon it. The first was a Birthday Autograph Book, being selections from The General's writings and addresses; the second, a collection of soulful verses. These books, which will be a valuable contribution to The Army Library, are ready for the press, and have only about half a year from publication by the difficulties of the printing trade at the moment.

To so true a mother as Mrs. Booth, one of the most trying aspects of her daughter's illness has been the necessity of her own frequent absence from home when engaged on campaigns both in England and other countries, but Captain Williams would not have only about half a year from publication by the difficulties of the printing trade at the moment.

How she loved The Army Pimp! Her sister, Staff-Captain Mary, had given her one some years before, and it had never left her bed. When, upon several occasions, she had carried her home for special treatment, she had carried her flag with her and displayed it as a spiritual intro-

duction to doctors, nurses, and any one else with whom she came in contact. It was above her head when she died, and it covers her body in death.

And now this radiant, conquering life has closed. On Friday morning, when she should have been leaving for Hadley Wood, the doctor pronounced that nothing more could be done, and that life was ebbing fast. To dear Mrs. Booth fell the duty of breaking the news to her daughter.

"Darling, you are going home to-day; but not to Hadley Wood, darling; to Heaven!" "Oh, I am so glad, so glad!" she exclaimed. "Quite soon, I think, my darling!" Then with a wonderful joy shining in her eyes she turned to each of her dear ones—"To the General, to her mother, to Adjutant Simpson, to each of the other members of the family present—Staff-Captain Mary was absent in France—and smiled her farewells as she receded down the Valley of the Shadow, until the sorrowing little group was lost to her tender vision—and she awoke with Christ!

The General and Mrs. Booth and their family and Adjutant Simpson, as well as the whole Army, have sustained an irreparable loss. Who should a life so beautiful, so pure and devoted, and able, taken when the world is so sorely in need of such lives, are asking this question. An answer does not fail.

When in times past God has sought to convey to His people some great blessing, or truth, or warning, He chose out of His vessels of honour flag with her and displayed it as a spiritual intro-

the lesson of faith and obedience; down the road Job taught us to trust in the dark; in war God committed to our Founder and our first Mother the great charge of raising up the Salvation Army, to bring Salvation to multitudes of souls of all nations. He chose our present General and Mrs. Booth to develop and extend the great manifest love of God to the world, and towards the common people; and now that the Movement is progressing on regular lines, how He not need to speak a word of warning to the Salvation Army, to bring Salvation to multitudes of souls of all nations. He chose our present General and Mrs. Booth to develop and extend the great manifest love of God to the world, and towards the common people; and now that the Movement is progressing on regular lines, how He not need to speak a word of warning to the Salvation Army, to bring Salvation to multitudes of souls of all nations. 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will come to-morrow and then we'll be all right."

But in spite of his brave words he had a feeling that perhaps things might not be all right. The spoiled meal proceeded in silence, which was only broken now and again by a fretful wail from baby Jacky.

The pair spent a most miserable night, shivering under the scanty bed-clothes, and filled with anxiety

THE BLIZZARD

A black and white woodcut illustration of a woman in a long dress and apron standing by a large, ornate stove, tending to a fire. A small child sits on the floor nearby. The room has a window with multiple panes and a small table with a lamp in the background.

"Suppose I ride down the trail and try to find out what's the matter," said Jim.

"Well, Jim, you couldn't in this weather!" remonstrated his wife; "why, the prairie is deep in snow and if a blizzard came up you'd get lost before you could get back and reach any place."

"Guess we'll all get frozen soon if the weather keeps like this," said Jim. "I can hardly stand anything out doors now with no mits, no fur cap and no thick clothes. The Thorpes are going to get some mits and a fur cap sure they'll gladly lend us some. Things all ours turned up."

"Perhaps Mrs. Burford would help us get some mits and a fur cap," said Jim, "but I don't want to go and spare. They've got enough and to spare."

"Well, if our things don't turn up in a day or two I'll ride over and see," said Jim. "What's for supper, lass, I'm as hungry as a lion."

"Well, I've got some of those potatoes cooked," said Mrs. Stewart; "they're touched with the frost last night and are as soft as mush."

"Well, I'll eat 'em," said Jim, "but for leaving 'em unprotected," said Jim. "Well, never mind, lass, we'll have 'em the best of it."

Mrs. Stewart Breaks Down

"Aye! that's the cry, cry, cry, cry, cry," came here, said his wife despondently. "It is no time to bring a cry and-baby out here, Jim, we'll have to get out of this place. I'm not half-prepared for it. I wish you'd waited till next summer. And now I don't know whether I and baby will live or die next summer!" And she began to cry.

"Oh, here, cheer up, lass, cheer up," said Jim, "I'll be sure to get your wife's tears and was at it as fast as I can." "Perhaps our things

repaired the baby, who seemed to be developing a very crampy cough. But all their fears and shiverings came to an end next day, when the doctor came to see the child. He announced the near approach of a couple of heavily-laden bull sleighs. What relief there was as the goods were taken to the sleds, bells were unlatched at their door. Very soon the whole three were warily escorted to the sleds, and presently changed appearance as the heavy articles of furniture were disposed about it.

"I," said Mrs. Stewart, "late in the afternoon," "the wood pile is getting pretty low. Hadn't it better be taken the sleigh across to the bluff and piled up against the barn, so that a fire if necessary is coming soon, and there will be sure to be without fuel."

"There sure is something coming," said the doctor, "and it's from the clouds. I might be hurry or I may not catch it in it."

In a few minutes the sound of sleigh bells was heard, and Mrs. Stewart that her husband had gone up the hill after the wood.

But with her preparations for the evening and her intention not to hear the clock strike five. Her husband had been gone a while and she was looking out of the window when she saw a sleigh and a driver. She noted with alarm that the sleigh was already falling quite fast and was being whirled about by a strong wind. She saw the commencement of the blizzard.

Going to the door she tried to open it through the gathering darkness. She saw the sleigh coming along the trail. But nothing was to be seen but the rapidly-whirling snow and nothing to be heard but the rushing of the wind. Then a sudden gust drove icy particles

fall into the face of the anxious woman, and she hurriedly retreated indoors.

Another half-hour ticked slowly by—it seemed almost a century to the waiting woman—and every minute the storm increased in fury until the wind howled around the shack like a thousand demons clamouring for the prey within.

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with terrific force and an almost blinding intensity of the cold managed, however, to get back of the horse and cling for a second or two, while she covered her breath.

"Oh, Dick, Dick!" she cried, "where is your master?"

"him!"

On and on through the snow went horse and woman, latter stumbling and paying wildered and benumbed, but struggling on beside the fatal trail, which followed the trail to bluff by means of its instinct. Knowing that her only means of safety in keeping hold of the reins A. Stewart coiled them tightly about her right wrist and let the horse her: where it would. She had no most all sense of direction. No yard could she see through whirling whiteness which rounded her.

Calling for Help
What was that? Surely it was human voice! Yes, it was that her husband, and he was calling help!
"Jim, Jim!" she shrieked; "I here—where are you?"

From somewhere out of the storm came a faint answer, and a moment or two later a human form lurched heavily against her, almost knocking her off her feet.

"Turn the horse round, Alice," shouted her husband, and she heard the words above the howl of the storm.

"Jim, you take the lines," cried; "I'm almost done out!" "I can't!" shouted Jim; "ask badly twisted."

Realizing that all now depended on her, Mrs. Stewart hurried her for a final desperate effort. How managed to do it she couldn't

she got to the fire and conducted the guests to the dining-room. Then she gave the horse a ride, and afterwards, after she had been long and fully exhausted on the sleigh. At a moment later her husband came on driving alongside on his horse, and she had managed to pass the drug himself on the sleigh. Then, during the rain from his wife's hands, he threw the horse along the way towards home.

"There's the light, Alice," he said, "after a while, 'I look bright' than ever I've seen it before."

Mrs. Stewart raised her head and looked, and then uttered a scream.

"Oh, oh! the house is on fire!"

"What," my baby, my baby!"

And then the sleigh drew up, and the guests were all looking at the terrible scene before the door of the shack and the fire. The guests were all looking at the terrible scene before the door of the shack and the fire. The guests were all looking at the terrible scene before the door of the shack and the fire.

Baby Jacky's Peril

the top of his voice. A moment later he rushed forth for the frenzied mother to snatch him in her arms and dash him against the door again. The opening of the door, however, served to increase the blaze, and it now swept to the roof in a tree.

With a small baby in her arms and a helpless husband on the slippery floor, Mrs. Stewart realized the utter hopelessness of trying to save the child. But she would save something that she needed very much that night. Daringly she pushed more into the burning bed, which was as yet scarcely consumed by the flames. Then she turned to the babe, flung to the hearth, and cried, she threw herself on the floor and on the sligh with her hands outstretched.

“O, be contented!”

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where the sad stories the in-
terview had to tell. In quite a
few families would be lo-
cated without a fire in their humble
quarters with the temperature
down to zero. These cases
had to be relieved immediately.
The distribution of the Baskets of
Food took place on the afternoon
of Saturday, Dec. 22. The re-
cently acquired St. James Hotel
was an excellent distributing sta-
tion because of its location, being
near central and the ideal accom-
modation afforded.
Miss Sims (Men's Social Secre-
tary) was responsible for the pur-
chase of the supplies and also for
the arrangements for filling and dis-

ALL the afternoon there was a steady stream of applicants. At the close of the day nearly three hundred baskets were given out, and many a few cases are still to be investigated. Both the Commissioners and the Chief Secretary looked in during the afternoon, and were deeply impressed with what they saw.

On New Year's Eve Brigadiers Taylor presented shoes and moccasins to poor children. One little girl came with her feet clad only in an old pair of carpet slippers.

HARRIS, N.Y.

Our Corps is still progressing under the leadership of Adjutant and Mrs. Sexton and Captain Ginn. On Sunday, Dec. 16th, we had a remarkable day, and ended up a night with three souls in the foundry. —S. R.

TRADE		
Price List of Uniforms		
	2-piece Suits	Cost
Cloth No. 5.	\$17.75	\$26.00
Cloth No. 4.	11.00	21.00
Cloth No. 7.	33.50	21.75
Congress	30.50	21.00
" No. 51.	27.25	19.00
Gray Cloth	28.00	19.00
" No. 9	25.00	17.50
F 107	22.25	16.00

No. R2 _____
No. R1 _____
These Prices are sub-
ject to Office's Uniform Tri-

Ladies Tail

This is an excellent list

Spring Coat.

	No. 4	No. 7
Long Coat.	\$37.50	\$36.50
4 Coat.	29.50	28.50
Short Coat.	26.75	25.75
Coat Suit.	44.75	42.00
Sep. Skirt.	21.25	19.00

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No. 5 _____

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No. 7 _____

Grey Cloth _____

No. 9 _____

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Special attention given to

Incidents of the Street Collection in Winnipeg City

"IN grateful remembrance of Christmas spent with The Army in 1914." This was the purport of a little note attached to a dollar bill that had been placed in one of the familiar street corner "Pots," during the recent Christmas Appeal for Christmas Cheer and Winter Relief in the City of Winnipeg.

As is customary at this festive season, the spirit of giving is prevalent, but it seemed to have taken possession of the citizens more than ever this year.

One would have thought the city had been practically drained financially by the Victory Bond Campaign, but no, for right in the midst of this effort, an appeal was made for a very worthy local institution, which was most successful. Then followed the call for help from Halifax, which was responded in most nobly by Winnipegarians. During the ten days preceding Christmas the city raised \$30,000 for Christmas gifts to soldiers' wives and children.

His Honor Mayor Davidson assured the Commissioner that he did not wish it to conflict with the Army's usual appeal, and that he was quite agreeable for the "Pots" to be placed on the street corner as in the past. To the surprise of many, the total amount received in the "Pots" exceeded that of last year.

The first days' income, amounting to \$165, was handed over to the Citizens' Christmas Fund aforementioned. The city corps also co-operated, and took up special collections.

Those stationed at the "Pots" found their duty a cold one, for the temperature was considerably below zero most of the time, but nevertheless they continually manifested a spirit of cheerfulness and strove to attract the attention of the passer-by with such injunctions as "Keep the Pot a-boiling" and "Don't forget the poor and needy this Christmas."

to the various stands, and, needless to say, created interest and amusement, especially for the young folk. The Cadets took their turn, being most enthusiastic. Some sang selections of lively choruses, which attracted considerable attention.

The children were to the front. One little girl brought her money box and emptied its contents into one of the Pots. A boy of ten made it his business to accost the hurrying pedestrians and plead with them not to forget to "throw in their

Christmas Eve, of course, was the busiest day. The people were most liberal. It was most encouraging to see first this lady or gentleman more often than not laden with parcels, pause, and, despite the severe cold, remove their gloves in order to locate and deposit their donations. May God bless the donors!

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- "Scott" Lodge, 163 Barrington Street, Halifax, N.S.
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Cloth No. 4.	33.50	23.75	9.75	39.00	29.25	33.50	7.50
Compreh.	31.50	21.50	9.50	36.00	26.50	30.50	6.50
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107	22.25	16.00	6.25	27.75	21.00	22.25	4.50

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